

Senate
Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Agriculture, Financial Institutions and Insurance

Senate Bill 202

Relating to: the purchase of health care coverage by individuals who are engaged in the business of farming through the Group Insurance Board, granting rule-making authority, and making an appropriation.

By Senators Leibham, M. Meyer, Decker, Roessler, Wirch, Brown, Breske and Hansen; cosponsored by Representatives Towns, Vruwink, LeMahieu, Ladwig, Pettis, M. Lehman, Suder, Bies, Staskunas, Musser, Hahn, Weber, Kreibich, Berceau, Ainsworth, Ott, J. Wood, Hines, Kestell, Owens, Gunderson, Gronemus, Balow, McCormick, Olsen, Plouff, Freese, Shilling, Hundertmark, Schneider, Van Akkeren, Johnsrud and Petrowski.

June 20, 2003 Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Financial Institutions and Insurance.

July 29, 2003 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (5) Senators Schultz, Brown, Kedzie, Hansen and Lassa.

Absent: (0) None.

Appearances For

- Sen. Joe Leibham, Madison
- Sabrina Gentile, WI Farm Bureau, Madison
- Edith Lauscher, Kewaunee
- Wayne Steingraber, Manawa
- Darin Von Ruden, WI Farmers Union, Westby
- Ron Statz, National Farmers Organization, Prairie du Sac, WI 53578

Appearances Against

- Vicki Poole, WI Employee Trust Funds, Madison
- Bill Kox, WI Employee Trust Funds

Appearances for Information Only

- None.

Registrations For

- Rep. Debi Towns, Madison
- Rep Amy Sue Vruwink, Madison
- Bill Oemichen, WI Federation of Cooperatives, Madison

- John Manske, WI Federation of Cooperatives, Madison
- Wayne Corey, WI Independant Businesses, Madison
- Lori Steingraber, Manawa

Registrations Against

- None.

July 29, 2003

EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD

Present: (5) Senators Schultz, Brown, Kedzie, Hansen and Lassa.

Absent: (0) None.

Moved by Senator Kedzie, seconded by Senator Hansen that **Senate Bill 202** be recommended for passage.

Ayes: (5) Senators Schultz, Brown, Kedzie, Hansen and Lassa.

Noes: (0) None.

PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 5, Noes 0

John O'Brien
Committee Clerk